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4. SUMMARY OF FINDINGS <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. REASON FOR INVESTIGATION: Reference is made to Agent Report, Subject and File Number as above, dated 27 March 1. 50. 2. SYNOPSIS OF PREVIOUS INVESTIGATION: Previous investigation attempted to determine the true political affiliations and feelings of SUBJECT, who has been previously reported to be engaged in military matters pertaining to the re-armament of Germany. 3. PRESENT INVESTIGATION: On 2 May 1950 SUBJECT wrote a letter to his cousin, Hans-Gerd ZOSCHKE, KREISBOCK (LEZ/G39), Kreis Waldack, which is reproduced in part in this report. The letter largely concerns the opinion of SUBJECT in regard to the over-all German situation, but is reproduced as follows in order to point out his opinion regarding military problems: <p style="margin-left: 40px;">".....In spite of other statements to the contrary, it would be foolish to refuse to see that the cold war fronts are today much more clearly defined and more determined than they were a year ago. The difference between the East and the West cannot be overcome. Any minor or ridiculous incident, the notion of some fanatical individual, or the murder of the heir to the Austrian throne in 1914, could set the fire to the powder keg, even against the will of both parties concerned. This is true because both parties are afraid of a 'hot' war until they are sure of winning that war. Both parties will also experience this fear as long as they are both equally well armed. Bolshevism will not tolerate any other political thought to exist; its goal is most definitely internationalist. It has, so, and will remain world revolution. In addition to its military force, Bolshevism also has on its side the various Communist organizations in all of the Western European nations. These organizations are undermining those nations in order to cause their collapse and thereby reach their goal through the medium of the 'cold war.' Victory of Communism means complete destruction of individual freedom. It means that all people are wise equal within the masses, there being only one type of individual tolerance. Bolshevism is efficiently organized, while the Western Powers are split among themselves and not unified. So far, the West can not yet come up with a spiritual idea to equal or combat Communist ideology, not to mention anything better or more efficient than Communism. Nevertheless, such an idea is necessary to win the battle with Communism. If it does not already exist, it must be created. What can Western Germany or Western Europe do to better conditions? If</p> 	
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anything at all, how? These questions must be put before us time and again, but as yet, there can be seen no definite way. The present opinions vary from neutrality, isolationism between East and West, to nationalism, or the bare intent to live over the catastrophes which seemingly cannot be avoided. Neutrality and isolationism can be put into effect only if there is enough power to prevent anyone from violating it. As long as we have no power, neutrality and isolation only aid Communism and encourage it to increase its pressure upon the West. Nationalism and the principal of national states are ideas of a past period. They are out dated since the United States and Soviet Russia have created political units covering whole continents. Only a free, united, strong Europe could as a 'third power,' represent a factor which by its mere existence could guarantee peace and relieve the United States as well as the Soviet Union of their fear of one another in Europe. If the whole of Europe is united there will be no political unit making a prosperous era possible for all European people. At the same time, it could in the case of war put its own weight on the side of those who defend freedom and right. The unification of Europe must be based on the idea that Europe is an organism and not a mere collection of separate parts. Humanity is also not a sum of atoms of reason, but a living body with an hierarchic order; a powerful organism in which each part has its duties, in his place and at his special time, all of which is an 'irreplaceable factor.' The organism cannot live unless each little part does its job in its place and at the right time, no part can live outside of the organism...."

"Summa cuius means the freedom of each individual, not only to satisfy himself, but rather due to the fact that otherwise the individual would not be able to contribute his share of work necessary to keep the whole organism healthy. This is the basic principle of organic philosophy which says that man, a being with reason, conscience, and free will, is different from all other living things on earth, and that he alone has a freedom which makes certain moral actions possible. The opposite of this philosophy is the other mechanical interpretation which holds that the world is but a sum of atoms and development on earth is the result of completely senseless pressure and mutual tensions on the part of these atoms. The organic philosophy has created individualism; the idea of the New World, and mechanical philosophy has created collectivism, the ideal of the East. Both seem to be completely different from each other, and yet they are but two sides of the same coin. Both go back to the society of the French Revolution, where it was taught that humanity is merely a sum of single individuals or so-called 'atoms of reason,' and that history or politics is nothing but the result of the actions of these atoms guided by opportunism. Their slogan was, 'The same to all.' This short clarification of the underlying philosophy was necessary because we Europeans cannot otherwise overcome individualism or collectivism which are both not combatable with out philosophy. We must create a thinking to out-weigh these two philosophies. In this short sketch, the proof for my

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Plans cannot be given in full or in all details. The reader must be satisfied with mere hints. It will take yet a long time before Europe of the above kind could be created. Everybody knows that Communism would not favor such plans, since they are opposed to the Communist plans for imperialist world domination. The road to Greater Europe leads through 'Smaller Europe,' that is, the part of Europe not ruled by Communism at the present time. These nations must unite with the United States. This is the only way for Western Europe to become powerful enough to be a magnet for those presently under Soviet rule, to attract them and to give them the necessary power to resist Communism in their hearts, and to later rid themselves of it openly. It is the duty of those who lived through the last wars to promote an understanding between the West European nations. They are united already by their sufferings, which are altogether different in the various countries, but were nevertheless caused by the same incidents. If we accept the idea that harmony is cooperation between the parts of an organism which alone makes it possible for the organism to live for some length of time, and if we furthermore accept the idea that tensions within an organism cannot be overcome and must lead to its death, then we can also rest assured that the participation of Germany in Western European affairs is absolutely necessary in order to prevent a Bolshevik attack upon the Western World. The West European nations and the United States have understood that the German nation has at the present time the strongest fighting spirit against Communism, because we are direct neighbors to the Communist nations. This is a latent but very important weight on our side. What are now the duties of a German? We must consider the following facts: 1. The duty of the German nation within the European organism is to contribute its share toward the preservation of European culture and civilization, in spite of all disappointments. This culture and civilization must be preserved because they are the results of two thousand years of historical development, and they have shaped our continent and defined man not only as a highly developed animal but as a part of nature and a creature of God, forced to live up to a moral law. 2. It is however not our duty within the European family of nations to defend or protect the others while they are saving their own lives under the motto, 'Germans to the front.' We are not to die as soldier shelling in someone's country as mere targets for enemy shells. We must however be ready to contribute our share toward the creation and defense of a free united Europe, if we are accepted as equal partners.

"In actual life things are very much complicated. We cannot afford to give up the ground under our feet and it would be impossible for us Germans to take the political attitude, 'All for nothing.' Politics is the art of judging possibilities. The facts must be given attention and actions must be adjusted to existing facts. The way cannot be completely straight. One fact for example is that we are completely without power, we do not even have the power to afford neutrality or to think that we could maneuver between the two political forces. We must rid ourselves of all hard feelings

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and judges and we must unite with the side where we see the best chances to attain our common goal. This can only be the Western nations, due to the above explanations. The German nation must on the other hand get a chance and possibility to whole-heartedly and freely cooperate in European affairs, which are listed as follows: Politically, complete political and other sovereignty must be restored within the boundaries of the Western Federal Republic. Germany's borders as they existed on 31 December 1937 must be restored. Economically, Germany must be completely autonomous in all economical respects. Disarmament must be stopped. Free trade with all countries and on all oceans must be permitted, especially with the Western nations. There should be no restrictions imposed on the exchange of currency, export, or import. Militarily, the honor of the German soldier must be restored and all consequences resulting from such restoration of honor be accepted, economically, and morally. The so-called War Crimes trials must be revised and those not guilty of crimes must be rehabilitated. A guarantee must be given that the territory between the Iron Curtain and the Rhine River will be defended and not given up in case of a Soviet invasion. This guarantee should be extended eventually even farther east than the Iron Curtain. There should be a complete German force within the Army of the European Union. This force must be organized according to the requirements of modern warfare, and it must be strong enough in size to guarantee adequate defense. It is however best that we not volunteer to be armed, as we should wait until weapons are forced upon us, lest anyone think that we want to bring back militarism. It would not be wise to propagandize these demands. They should be attained step by step, in a manner that gives the Western Powers a chance to save their face, and which does not give new food to the security complex by which they are infected. To enable the German Government however to protect these points efficiently, the government of the German Bund must be given the necessary backing to use the potential energy still latent within the German people in order for us, politically and economically, a chance to survive. We must support the German Federal Government as the only true representative of the German nation, regardless of the fact that we might not favor all of its leading personalities. At the present time, there is no sense in private talks of single individuals with members of the West European nations, at least as long as the Germans are treated as outcasts. Our honor and self-respect must prevent us from offering our services as cheap hirelings. We are well aware of our value. We Germans are still fighting among ourselves instead of fixing the dam that threatens to break. The one that threatens our lives is Bolshevism. We must unite regardless of political differences or Lechny (Bavarians and Jolsteiners), refugees, original citizens, former Nazis, or underground fighters, for all there should only be one question, 'Are you for us or for Communism?' Anyone supporting Communism is our enemy. Those who are against Communism are our allies. We are not interested why one or the other is against Communism. We are only interested in the fact and in the common goal. To fight Communism is not a defense, it is an attack. We do not just refuse to believe in Communism, we must have a con-

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constructive idea of our own. This unifying factor must be, 'One free European Nation.' This idea will give new impetus to the war generation as well as to the youth who presently have no political ideas. They must be led to and led to understand the importance of this idea. These statements are to be a stimulus. Something must be done, in spite of the danger of making mistakes.

/s/ Eberhard Graf KOSTITZ

6. UNDEVELOPED LEADS AND FUTURE ACTION:

To continue to observe SUBJECT in order to determine more of his political affiliation, thought, and ideals.

5. AGENT'S NOTES:

a. Background Information:

As previously reported, SUBJECT was a Colonel in the German Army, and the youngest member of the German General Staff. He has been a life long friend of the former General von MANTOUFEL, who at one time served as SUBJECT's regimental commander, SUBJECT at that time being a battalion commander. SUBJECT has since the last war maintained a close affiliation with MANTOUFEL, and reportedly was the political, economic, and military ideas of MANTOUFEL. It was a foregone conclusion of the Source of this report that the letter written by SUBJECT to his cousin, Euse Graf KOSTITZ of HEMBADE, was an article written exclusively for newspaper publication, and also to exhibit his creative ability to his good friend, von MANTOUFEL. SUBJECT also expounds some of the present ideas of the DEUTSCHE UNION, as well as the NATIONAL DEMOKRATISCHE PARTI in his letter to his cousin. SUBJECT as well as von MANTOUFEL are allegedly presently affiliated quite closely with the DEUTSCHE UNION in the British Zone of Germany.

b. Clarifying Comments:

It is quite possible that SUBJECT, as well as von MANTOUFEL, have decided to cease any activity toward the re-militarization of Germany, due to, as SUBJECT stated in his letter, the fact that the Western Allies' stand in regard to the re-arming of Germany, and its former military leaders. SUBJECT apparently now intends to wait until the Western powers request Germany to participate in the defense of Western Europe before participating further in this matter.

c. Agent's Opinion:

It is the opinion of the undersigned that SUBJECT is concurring with other former German military leaders in stating that the Germans should not offer

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their military genius until they are requested to assist in Western European defense. SUBJECT has previously hinted that he has maintained contact with these former "friends" of his who comprised the German General Staff. It is therefore more than probable that this view is shared by all of them.

d. Specific Recommendations:

It is recommended that the observation of SUBJECT be continued in order to better observe his actions in regard to German military figures, the HEUTIGER UNION, DIE REINERSCHAFT, and the DEUTSCHE ARBEITER, of whom SUBJECT is either a member or has been reported to have been affiliated.

e. Evaluation: C-3

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